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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002,** upon the application of **EXCEL OPERATING CORPORATION.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A and the Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B,** in the Bayou Middle Fork Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A, to be designated HA RA SUA as outlined on the plat submitted with the application.
- 2. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate for the Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B, to be designated L SMK A RB SUA as outlined on the plat submitted with the application.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all of the separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate the Excel Operating Corporation Campbell No. 1 Well as the unit well for, and to designate Excel Operating Corporation as unit operator of, both HA RA SUA and L SMK RB SUA.
- 5. To authorize the downhole or wellbore combination of hydrocarbons produce from the Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A and the Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B, insofar as wells located on HA RA SUA and L SMK RB SUA are concerned.
- 6. To establish field rules for the Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A and the Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B.
- 7. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A and/or the Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir(s) change an evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
- 8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Haynesville Sand, Reservoir A, in the Bayou Middle Fork Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana, is defined as that gas and condensate bearing formation encountered between the depths of 10,350' and 10,372' (ELM) in the Excel Operating Corporation (formerly Tri-C Resources, Inc.) - Campbell No. 1 Well located in the Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 22 North, Range 4 West.

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The Lower Smackover A Formation, Reservoir B, in the Bayou Middle Fork, Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana, is defined as that gas and condensate bearing formation encountered between the depths of 10,700' and 10,940' (ELM) in the Excel Operating Corporation (formerly Tri-C Resources, Inc.) - Campbell No. 1 Well located in the Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 22 North, Range 4 West.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana or may be found at the following site:

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

FELIX J. BOUDREAUX COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 2/6/02;2/9/02 S dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.